

# **WILLAMETTE PASS SOUTH THREE LAKES PACIFIC CREST TRAIL HIKE**

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# WILLAMETTE PASS SOUTH THREE LAKES EVENT INFORMATION

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Here is an opportunity to hike as many kilometers as you want. Hike to any of the three lakes and back to the trailhead. There are numerous small lakes and ponds along this route. Keep track of where you are on the trail at all times. The trailhead start is at 5110' of elevation.

**Remember, you're in the mountains, so be prepared for changing weather conditions. Carry the ten essentials. Extra clothes, snacks and water, sunscreen, a hat and bug repellent are good ideas. Hiking boots and poles are recommended. Your dog is fine, but must be on a 6' leash.**

**Please check current weather, fire and trail information. Snow is likely especially early in the season.** You are in the Deschutes National Forest, Supervisor's office – 63095 Deschutes Market Rd., Bend, OR 97701; 541-383-5300 M-F 8am to 4:30pm.

**Emergency 911 Service may not be available south of the trail head area.**

**Parking Passes:** You must have either a Northwest Forest Pass, America the Beautiful Interagency Annual Pass, an Interagency Senior Pass, or a Military Pass to park on this National Forest Land.

**Restrooms:** The only restroom is at the Trailhead. Otherwise, it's the "bush toilet" on the route.

**Water** is available at each of the lakes if you've brought purification.

**Northwest Region Pacific Crest Trail (PCT)**  
**Willamette Pass South - Three Lakes PCT Hike**  
**Midnight Lake 10.2Km R/T (6.3 miles) 250' elevation gain - Rated 3C**  
**Hidden Lake 18.0Km R/T (11.2 miles) 750' elevation gain - Rated 3C**  
**Lils Lake 20.0Km R/T (12.4 miles) 900' elevation gain - Rated 3C**

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**Driving Directions: EB: From I-5** take Oregon 58 to Willamette Pass (ski area sign and green summit pass sign). Then, continue 0.3 miles east on OR 58 and turn **LEFT** at brown PCT Trailhead sign on a paved road and then turn **RIGHT** before the big ODOT maintenance shed on a dirt road to the trailhead parking lot in the timber.

**WB:** From US97 take OR 58 to the road junction for Shelter Cove Resort and Odell Lake West Access. Just past this junction, turn **RIGHT** at the brown PCT Trailhead sign on a paved road and then turn **RIGHT** before the big ODOT maintenance shed on a dirt road to the trailhead parking lot in the timber. **Make sure you have the proper parking pass on your vehicle. N43.35' 49.54" W122.01' 52.91".** Parking lot is at 5,110' elevation. Restrooms at trailhead. Emergency 911 Cell coverage may only be available close to the highway.

**Hike Options:** To any one or more of these 3 lakes and back to the trailhead for as many kilometers as you want. There are numerous small lakes and ponds along this route. Keep track of where you are on the trail at all times.

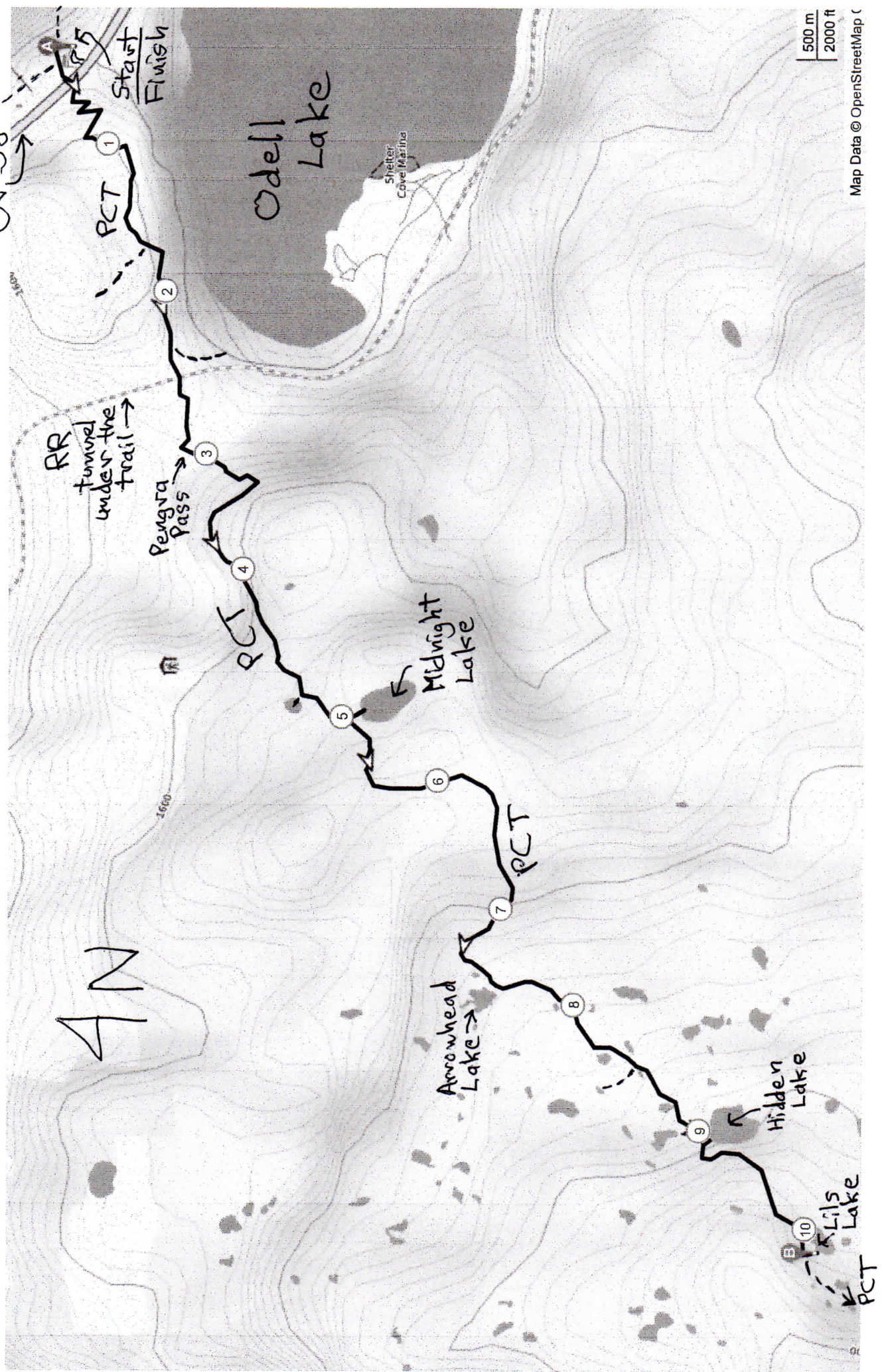
1. At the trailhead to the left of the restrooms, follow the short connector trail 0.1 Km to the PCT.
2. Turn **LEFT** on the PCT.
3. 0.2 Km, junction with a trail to the right that goes to the ski area. Turn **LEFT** on the PCT.
4. 0.3Km, carefully **CROSS** the highway.
5. 1.7Km, pass a way trail to the right. **STAY ON** the PCT.
6. 2.3Km, an old trail angles to the left. **STAY ON** the PCT.
7. 2.9Km, **CROSS** a closed road at Pengra Pass and **STAY ON** the PCT **just a short distance to a Hiking Pass Box**. Fill out the form, leave the correct part and take the other part with you. **Continue** on the PCT.
8. 4.7Km, way trail to the right. **STAY ON** the PCT.
9. 5.0Km, Turn **LEFT** at a junction on a short trail to Midnight Lake.
10. 5.1Km, at Midnight Lake (5,360' elevation). Turn **AROUND** and return to the PCT. **(Right on PCT to return to trailhead for a 10.2km hike)**
11. 5.2Km, Turn **LEFT** on the PCT.
12. 8.5Km, pass a way trail to the right. **STAY ON** the PCT.
13. 9.0Km, Turn **LEFT** at a junction onto a short trail to Hidden Lake.
14. At Hidden Lake (5,860' elevation). Turn **AROUND** and return to the PCT. **(Right on the PCT to return to the trailhead for an 18km hike)**
15. Turn **LEFT** on the PCT.
16. 10.0Km, just beyond a trail junction to the left is Lils Lake on your left. (6,000' elevation).
17. Turn **AROUND** and return on the PCT to the trailhead and your vehicle. 20.0Km total.

We hope you enjoyed this hike on the PCT.

These directions and map may only be used in conjunction with a signed American Volkssport Association Athletic Waiver. All other uses are prohibited.

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# Willamette Pass South 3 Lakes PCT Hike



Or 58

RR  
tunnel  
under the  
trail →

Pengra  
Pass →

Midnight  
Lake

Arrowhead  
Lake →

Hidden  
Lake

Lils  
Lake

Start  
Finish

500 m  
2000 ft

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## **PACIFIC CREST TRAIL HIKES**

### **WASHINGTON:**

- 1. Chinook Pass – Sheep Lake and Sourdough Gap - Y2763**
- 2. Mt. Rainier National Park -- Naches Loop and Dewey Lakes - Y2050**
- 3. North Bonneville – Gillette Lake - Y2294**
- 4. Snoqualmie Pass – Kendall Katwalk - Y0786**
- 5. Snoqualmie Pass – Lodge Lake and Mirror Lake - Y3183**
- 6. Stevens Pass – Lake Valhalla - Y3182**
- 7. Stevens Pass – Josephine Lake - Y3184**
- 8. White Pass – North Four Lakes – Y3190**
- 9. White Pass – South Ginnette and Shoe Lakes – Y3191**

### **OREGON:**

- 10. Cascade Locks – Herman Creek Pinnacles - Y1677**
- 11. Eugene, OR – Willamette Pass Rosary Lakes – Y2465**
- 12. Government Camp – Timothy Lake – Y1514**
- 13. McKenzie Pass – Belknap Craters – Y3246**
- 14. Wapinitia Pass – North Twin Lakes – Y3230**
- 15. Sisters, OR – McKenzie Pass Matthieu Lakes – Y2435**
- 16. Willamette Pass – South - Three Lakes – Y3240**

### **CALIFORNIA:**

- 17. Carson Pass – Overviews & Frog Lake -- Y0880**
- 18. Donner Pass – Y1038**
- 19. Round Valley – Castle Valley & Views - Y0983**
- 20. Whitewater – River Trail – Year-round - Y0975**